

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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For: DETECTION OF NUCLEIC ACIDS BY TYPE-SPECIFIC HYBRID CAPTURE  
METHOD**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated May 31, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks. Entry and consideration of the amendments are respectfully requested. Applicants present the following amendment and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.